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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 - 19 (CANCELED)

(PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method of recognizing patterns in acoustic 20. data, comprising:

receiving frames of acoustic data;

determining first cepstral coefficients corresponding to the received frames of acoustic data;

determining second cepstral coefficients corresponding to the received frames of acoustic data;

determining a first number of peaks in the first cepstral coefficients and a second number of peaks in the second cepstral coefficients;

determining at least one weighting parameter based on the determined second number of peaks; and

recognizing patterns in the received frames of acoustic data using the at least one weighting parameter.

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- 21. (CANCELED)
- 22. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 20, further comprising: comparing the determined first and second number of peaks.
- (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 22, wherein the recognizing 23. patterns in the frames of acoustic data is based on the comparison.
- 24. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 20, further comprising: determining, based on the received frames of acoustic data, recognition hypothesis scores using a Hidden Markov Model.
- 25. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 24, further comprising: modifying the recognition hypothesis scores based on the at least one weighting parameter.
- 26. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 25, further comprising: re-ordering the modified recognition hypothesis scores.

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(ORIGINAL) The method of claim 26, wherein the recognizing of the patterns in 27. the frames of acoustic data further uses the re-ordered modified recognition hypothesis scores.

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- 28. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 25, wherein the recognizing of the patterns in the frames of acoustic data further uses the modified recognition hypothesis scores.
- 29. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A speech recognition system, comprising: means for receiving frames of acoustic data;

means for determining a first number of peaks of cepstral coefficients corresponding to the received frames of acoustic data;

means for determining a second number of peaks of cepstral coefficients corresponding to the received frames of acoustic data;

means for determining at least one weighting parameter based on the determined second number of peaks; and

means for recognizing patterns in the frames of acoustic data using the at least one weighting parameter.

30-32. (CANCELED)